

2018 LMCC Men's Golf League

We would like to thank you for joining the **2018 LMCC Men's League**. We will be playing on Wednesday evenings and staying with the competitive league format we had last year, featuring match play against the course. The cost to join the league is \$50. All league fees will be used to pay out the league top finishers and payouts at the year-end tournament. If you have any questions, please call anyone on the Men's Golf League Committee:

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LEAGUE NOTES

- A. The league entry fee is **\$50.00**, which must be paid to any golf committee member no later than June 1, 2018. These funds will be used to provide cash prizes to the league top finishers and payouts at the year-end tournament. Total amount depends on the number of paid golfers playing in the league.
- B. The league has a maximum of 64 members. All guests that have played in the league in prior years are grandfathered into the league. Guests are able to join the league if the course members do not fill the 64 slots.
- C. The block of tee times for the league begins at 4:30 PM and ends at 5:30 PM each Wednesday. All players should plan to start their round within this timeframe.
- D. Note that only **one ball** may be hit off the first tee. The league will follow the USGA rules of Golf, with the following exceptions:
 - 1. All putts should be holed out, but if an opponent gives you the putt it must be within 1 foot of the cup.
 - 2. If the course is cart path only due to inclement weather conditions, you are allowed to lift, clean, and place your ball no closer to the hole, on your own fairway only.
- E. If you are in doubt as to whether the league is playing due to inclement weather, the league committee will make a play or no play decision during the day Wednesday by 3:30 PM. Call the pro shop at LMCC (440-358-7888, Option 1-1) Wednesday after 3:30 PM to find out if play has been canceled.
- F. The league does not enter your score into the GHIN handicap system. Please make sure you enter your scores into the GHIN system weekly to keep your handicap updated.
- G. You may play your choice of tees, BUT once you select, you have to play that same set of tees throughout the entire season.

LEAGUE PLAY

1. Each week you will play a match “against the course”. Each hole is worth one point. If your net score is lower than par, you receive 1 point; if you tie par you receive ½ point; if you exceed par – no points. If you beat the course (win 5 or more points) you get 1 bonus point; if you tie the course (win exactly 4½ points) you get a bonus ½ point. Each match, each week is worth 10 total points.
2. Since you will be playing the course, and the course always shoots par, your handicap will be adjusted upwards each week as follows:
 - a. Your 18-hole course handicap (from the tees you are playing) is increased by 10%. It is then rounded up to the nearest whole stroke (0.5 rounds up). Then you will receive the number of strokes for the specific 9 holes (front or back) that you are playing that week.
 - i. Example: Your 18-hole course handicap is 14. $14 \times 1.10 = 15.4$. That rounds up to 15 strokes. If you are playing the front nine, you get 7 strokes; if you are playing the back nine, you get 8 strokes.
 - b. It is imperative that you post your league scores into the GHIN system each week you play. The league committee reserves the right to adjust handicaps or disallow the player from playing until his scores are posted. The golf committee will audit GHIN periodically to verify scores are being posted.
3. The season will consist of 20 weeks of play and be split into two halves, 10 weeks each. There will be a first half champion and a second half champion. A head-to-head 18-hole match will decide the overall champion during the year-end league tournament.
4. Each half will consist of 9 match play weeks and a fun week (or in case a league night is rained out) (week 10 – 1st half; week 20 – 2nd half). To qualify to be first or second half champion, you must play a minimum of 5 matches during the 9 weeks of match play for either half. You may qualify for either half or both halves, depending on your ability to play the 5 minimum rounds during either one or both of the two halves of the season.
5. Your 5 highest point total rounds will determine the standings for each half, based on the matches you played against the course. If you play more than 5 rounds in either half, the lowest score(s) will be dropped since only the five highest scores are counted. Of course, each additional round you play betters your chance to improve upon your lowest counting score.
 - a. If there is a tie of 2 or more players at the end of 9 weeks (in either half), the last week of the half will be used to determine the winner. Each tied player will play a match against the course per normal league rules. The player scoring the most points against the course will be the champion for that half. You must be present during the play-off match to be able to win. If you cannot make it, you forfeit your chance at winning the half.
 - i. If 2 or more players are still tied after the play-off match, scorecards will be compared, starting on the toughest hole, i.e. lowest handicap numbered hole, until the tie is broken. If still tied, we will flip a coin to determine the winner.
 - b. If the same person wins both halves, his 18-hole match play opponent in the year-end tournament to determine the overall league champion is the person with the next highest points from either half. However, the player winning both halves will receive 1st place money for both halves.
 - c. A tie in the year-end tournament will be broken by a scorecard play-off as described above in (i).

League Payouts

Total payout pot consists of all (100%) of collected league fees and will be paid out as follows:

First Half Pot – 25% of total pot

- 1st Place – 40% (of first half pot)
- 2nd Place – 30%
- 3rd Place – 15%
- 4th Place – 10%
- 5th Place – 5%

Second Half Pot – 25% of total pot

- 1st Place – 40% (of second half pot)
- 2nd Place – 30%
- 3rd Place – 15%
- 4th Place – 10%
- 5th Place – 5%

Overall Championship Pot – 10% of total pot

- League Champion – two-thirds (of overall championship pot)
- League Runner-Up – one-third

Year-End Tournament Pot – 40% of total pot

- 1st Place (two-man team) – 40% (of year-end tournament pot)
- 2nd Place (two-man team) – 30%
- 3rd, 4th, 5th Places (two-man teams) – 10% each

Year-End Tournament Information

- Will be played on (tentatively) Saturday September 22nd, 2018 – time 8:00am
- Includes 18-holes of tournament play, and presentation of awards and payouts (Lunch is optional)
- Open to all Men's League members AND LMCC members, not in the Men's League
 - Cost: LMCC members, but non-Men's League members - \$25
- First and second half champions will play 18 holes of match play to determine overall league champion
 - Both players will play from the same set of tees (if not possible, the appropriate handicap stroke adjustment will be made in accordance with GHIN rules)
 - The match will be played off the lower handicap player, i.e. he gets no strokes, the other player only gets the difference between their two handicaps
 - These two players are playing for the overall league championship AND the overall championship pot – they ARE NOT eligible to play for the year-end tournament pot
- All others will play with a partner of your choice in a two-man team competition – format TBD
 - These two-man teams are competing for the year-end tournament pot only

Other Info

- The two “fun” night weeks will feature a format TBD.
- There will be an optional \$5.00 net skins game and a \$5.00 gross skins game each week.

League Weekly Schedule		
Date	Location	Match (Optional Skins Game Each Week - \$5 net / \$5 gross)
May 2	Front Nine	First half starts – Match 1
May 9	Back Nine	Match 2
May 16	Front Nine	Match 3
May 23	Back Nine	Match 4
May 30	Front Nine	Match 5
June 6	Back Nine	Match 6
June 13	Front Nine	Match 7
June 20	Back Nine	Match 8
June 27	Front Nine	Match 9
July 11	Back Nine	Fun Night or Makeup round due to rainout
July 18	Front Nine	Second half starts – Match 1
July 25	Back Nine	Match 2
August 1	Front Nine	Match 3
August 8	Back Nine	Match 4
August 15	Front Nine	Match 5
August 22	Back Nine	Match 6
August 29	Front Nine	Match 7
September 5	Back Nine	Match 8
September 12	Front Nine	Match 9
September 19	Back Nine	Fun Night or Makeup round due to rainout
September 22	18 Holes	Year-End Tournament & Awards

2016 LMCC Men's League Committee:

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To check on inclement weather and status of league play:

LMCC Club House – 440-358-7888, option 1 / 1. Call after 3:30 pm on Wednesday.